

Abide in the Wind

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Mirage Beasts

Phantomal beasts that once ruled this land.
They have multiple limbs and eyes,
and each has a unique appearance.

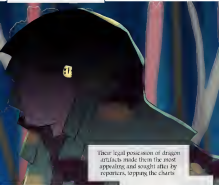
In ancient times, they were fearful beasts
that could only be slain using a dragon artifact.
However, nowadays, they are just creatures that
lurk in the forest of Blue Mirage Beasts and
the fields up north.

It has been speculated that the arrival
of humans robbed them of their homes,
stepping off their rule of this world.

-Hollan Magazine 32nd Special Issue,
East-Chase



Those who hunt in this forest are
known as mirage beast hunters.



Their legal possession of dragon artifacts made them the most appealing and sought after by reporters, topping the charts.

However, none of the reporters who went for them returned. They soon topped the charts again - this time, infamously as the most dangerous subject to report on.

Strangely enough, I met them relatively easily and managed to compile a report on them without too much trouble.



but...

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How is it?



Here... I don't know.
It seems the rumors were
a lot more exaggerated than
I thought. There wasn't
much to report on.

I was wondering
what would be a suitable
headline to use...



The goldmine!
I remembered!
That's where
I blacked out!

How did I
get here? What
happened? ... Was
it just a dream?

Did you feel something...
strange while being here at
the Hunter's Village?

The fact that all
my abnormal feelings
went away... I'll have to go back,
and ask, but...

There are no children
in the village.

There are adults, and
only adults who were fit
enough to make it through
the depths of the forest.

This is where the
Inu-gi have humans so
that strange beasts of
lower abilities will be
able to live.



Those who come into the forest will have their body taken away from them and die.



What's more is that...



Do I even have a
say in this situation?
I'm such a hypocrite.

I'd been expecting a
secret waiting to be revealed,
but after a bit of investigating,
there wasn't anything out
of the ordinary.

At least I was able to save those people...

Mr. Kolson, why did
you become a reporter?
(Did you have a particular
reason?)





Mmm... My bloodline
has been renowned for
producing legendary
adventurers...



However, some time ago, the
kingdom came into power and
put a halt to all adventures.

Ever since, we've
been stuck in the
suffocating coast
of the title...

I don't know
if it's just in my blood,
but looking at the earth
every day was
unpleasant.



and the daily
paper was my only
connection to the
outside world...



So I asked an acquaintance,
who was also a simulator, to get me
into a newspaper agency.

I've been blabbering on
a bit too much, haven't I? If I'm
just too comfortable around
you, Mr. Rozzie.



Mr. Sakum, you
are one with a great
thirst for knowledge.

Once you have
a goal, you'll be
sure to succeed.



However,
I'll be taking the
memories of your
stay at the
forest.



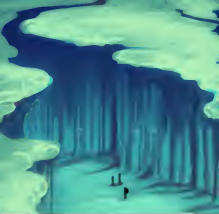
Also, you must
never return.



Can you ensure
that for me?









The Forest of
Blue Mirages, Beasts...





The reason why we lost most of our power on this continent is because



...the Dragons have departed from this planet.



Just as plants depend on the sun's light to photosynthesize for their energy, magical forests depend on the dragons' magical aura for their energy to live.





Can you
see him?

No, that is
not the case.



Even as the most
powerful being.

we live under the
influence of the Dragons
and serve them.

If the dragons depart
from this planet, our kind
will become extinct.

A strange event

led to the birth
of a new offspring
called "ulala".

They had no
individuality and
could not take the form
of a humanoid.

We worked and
worked to protect
our future...

The Hunter's
infiltration the outcome
of our research.

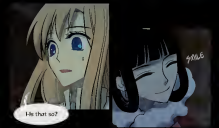
We used humans as
vessels because

we were certain of our
race's impending doom.

However, that is no
longer necessary if there
is a Dragon nearby!

The two of you are
like miracles to us.





The elders are waiting for us.





Ohh, Ohh...

To see one
such as yourself
after all this time!



Ah pardon me. I
should introduce
myself first. I am the
Grand Elder of the
Inugi Norwa.





My humble greetings
to Dragon Karak and
his Ryujinas

If not for my body's
condition, I would rush there
in person this instant

You'll have to
forgive me for addressing
you all through the
Connecting Circle



From this point on,
Karin will serve you
with her life

M-Ah, that's not
what I want...

Lord Karak is
the spitting image
of his mother,
Dragon Mungak.





She didn't start using it until she sealed Lord Kourak in the barrier, so

clearly, the traitor who's been bound to the dragon pearl

should not know about it.

